

FALL RIVER COUNTY UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2025

The Fall River Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on March 20, 2025. Present: Joe Allen, Les Cope, Joe Falkenburg, Deb Russell, Sandra Wahlert and Sue Ganje, Auditor.

An invocation was given by Wahlert.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and the meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

The agenda was reviewed for conflicts; none were noted. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. The full context of the meeting can be found on the county website under Commissioners at <http://fallriver.sdcountries.org>, or on Facebook, on the Fall River County’s website.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the agenda as written.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the meeting minutes from March 6, 2025.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Russell, to approve the Auditor’s Account with the Treasurer for February, 2025 as follows:

AUDITOR'S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF FALL RIVER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer of this County on this 28th day of February 2025.

Total Amount of Deposit in First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$	1,944,169.78
Total Amount of Cash:	\$	17,516.09
Total Amount of Treasurer's Change Fund:	\$	900.00
Total Amount of Checks in Treasurer's Possession Not Exceeding Three Days:	\$	50,667.64
SAVINGS:		
#4) First Interstate Bank, HS:	\$	1,466,150.03
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:		
#14) Schwab Treasury:	\$	8,828,684.74
Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts that have been in the Treasurer's possession over three days:		
Register of Deeds Change Fund:	\$	500.00
Highway Petty Cash:	\$	20.00

Election Petty Cash: \$ 15.00

RETURNED CHECKS:

Hannah Thomas \$ 426.01
Suter, Debbie Stop payment \$ 729.45

TOTAL \$ 12,309,778.74

Dated This 28th Day of February 2025.

/S/ Sue Ganje

Sue Ganje, County Auditor of
of Fall River County

/S/ Teresa Pullen

Teresa Pullen, County
Treasurer
of Fall River County

County Monies \$ 11,448,957.93
Held for other Entities \$ 695,310.48
Held in Trust \$ 165,510.33
TOTAL \$ 12,309,778.74

The Above Balance Reflects County Monies, Monies Held in Trust,
and Monies Collected for and to be remitted to Other ENTITIES:
SCHOOLS, TOWNS AND STATE.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to set the hearing for 2025-2026 Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine License renewals for April 17, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. during the regular meeting.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve travel for Kathy Timmins, Deputy Treasurer and Stacy Schmidt, Deputy Auditor, to attend the SDACO Spring Workshop in Pierre on May 13, 14 & 15, 2025 to include registration fees, lodging and per diem.

CP2025-04 was presented for the Board's consideration.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve paying CP2025-04 in the amount of \$2,150.00 to Chamberlain/McColley's Funeral Home for funeral services. With Wahlert voting no, all others voting yes, motion carried.

Dar Coy, Emergency Manager, met with the Board.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve travel for Coy to attend the EM 101 Training in Pierre on April 16, 2025, to include travel and lodging and to approve travel for Coy to attend HSEEP (Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program) Training in Pierre on April 23, 2025, to include travel and lodging.

Coy then provided updates and reported on incidents. He let the Board know that he will assemble a list of fixed asset items that will need to be covered under the insurance. Also there needs to be a claim filed for the Oelrichs siren.

Lyle Norton, Sheriff, met with the Board.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Allen to approve that usage of www.courtmoney.com for individuals to use to post bail bonds with a credit card.

Discussion continued regarding the purchase of a body scanner for the Fall River County Jail with Opioid Settlement funds. Norton informed the Board that this particular item does not have to be bid. The company that was chosen by Norton will be coming on March 25, 2025 to inspect the area for proper fitting prior to signing the contract.

Norton provided updates and the jail census of 8 males and 4 females in house, with 1 male in Meade County, for a total of 13 inmates. Lastly, Norton reminded the Board that he will be attending the Sheriff's Conference in April.

Brett Blessing, Highway Foreman, met with the Board. He presented various approach permit applications and highway right-of-way applications.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the application for road approach permit from Harley Miller on the north side of Rocky Ford Rd (County Rd #11S) at approximately SE1/4SW1/4 Sec 10 and NE1/4NW1/4 Sec 16, T9S, R4E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve the application for road approach permit from MeccaSue Simmons on the south side of Rocky Ford Road at approximately NE1/4SE1/4NW1/4 Sec 16, T9S, R4E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota.

Motion made by Cope, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the application for permit to occupy County highway right-of-way from Black Hills Energy located at Rumford Shortcut Rd, Section 32, T10S, R4E, BHM, Fall River County, South Dakota and Rumford Rd 400 ft south of the railroad track.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Cope, to approve the application for permit to occupy County highway right-of-way from Black Hills Energy located from west of Oral in front of Fall River Water Users Office east to DeBoer place, 14194 E Oral Rd on the south side of Oral Rd to RR, then transfer to north side.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve the application for permit to occupy County highway right-of-way from Golden West Telecommunications located from an existing vault on the south side of W Ardmore Rd approximately 535' east of RR to a new vault on the north side of W Ardmore Road.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen, to approve the application for permit to occupy County highway right-of-way from Golden West Telecommunications located from the north corner of Oral Loop to WG Flats Loop.

Blessing then reviewed the 2024 Highway project costs with the Board.

Dave Weishaupl, Maintenance Supervisor, met with the Board to further discuss hiring an engineer to assess the outside stairs, draw plans and provide specs for repair.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Wahlert, to approve hiring an engineer for the purpose of repairing the outside front stairs to the Courthouse. The Emergency Manager interjected that he had received a call from the State Fire Marshall informing him that the stairs cannot remain blocked, and the

stairs need to be opened up soon.

The time being 9:30 a.m., a public hearing for sealed bids for Asphalt Surface Treatment (chip sealing) opening took place. Bituminous Paving, Inc. provided a total bid price of \$263,633.80 and Simon Contractors of SD, Inc provided a total bid price of \$264,876.95. The Board asked that Jason Hanson of Brosz Engineering review the bids and come back with a recommendation later in the meeting.

Joe Allen, Commissioner, spoke regarding the proposed Jail/Justice Center. He has set up an appointment with Johnson Construction out of Harrisburg, SD to meet on April 17, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. to have a preliminary discussion regarding needs and ask for a quote for the construction of a Jail/Justice Center. This meeting will include Sheriff Norton, Allen and Cope will attend the meeting.

Joe Falkenburg, Commissioner Chair, spoke regarding a letter that he had received from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service regarding the National Historic Preservation Act. Falkenburg then presented a letter that he drafted to BNSF in opposition to their proposal to eliminate the Edgemont terminal and asked the Board to join in signing it.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Wahlert, to approve the letter to BNSF and authorize all Commissioners to sign.

Discussion regarding authorization to advertise Request for Proposal (RFP's) for County Public Defender occurred. Lance Russell, State's Attorney, spoke regarding the potential motion. He stated that outside attorneys had done some research as to what other South Dakota counties contracting with a Public Defender are paying. He asked that the Board give him time to draft a contract.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Allen, to move authorization of advertising for RFP's for County Public Defender to a future meeting.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Allen, to move the approval of the 2025 MOU Addendum between SDSU and Fall River County to a future meeting.

Lance Russell, State's Attorney, met with the Board.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve travel for SA Russell to attend the DUI Trial Techniques Training on April 30, 2025 and the State's Attorneys' Conference in Deadwood, May 1-2, 2025, to include registration fee, lodging and per diem. Russell noted that there would be a partial or full refund of cost based on amount charged.

Motion made by Allen, seconded by Russell, to approve payment of the bills as follows:

GENERAL FUND		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLY	\$2,958.14
AUGUSTIN, CRYSTAL	LOST CHECK REIMBURSE	\$348.32
BANGS MCCULLEN	CAAF	\$480.00
BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT SYS	2025 BUDGET ALLOTMENT	\$7,500.00
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL	SUPPLY	\$831.12
CENTURY BUSINESS LEASING	COPIER LEASE & USAGE	\$965.86
CENTURY BUSINESS LEASING	COPIER/LEASE	\$500.41
CHEYENNE SANITATION	SANITATION COLLECTION	\$379.50
CLINICAL LABORATORY OF	AUTOPSY	\$2,979.00

COLBATH & SPERLICH, PC	CAAF	\$2,270.75
COUNTY DRUG	INMATE MEDICAL	\$38.92
CULLIGAN SOFT WATER	RENTAL/SUPPLY	\$667.40
CULLIGAN SOFT WATER	RENTAL/SUPPLY	\$667.40
CHAMBERLAIN MCCOLLEY'S	BURIAL ASSISTANCE	\$1,601.52
CHAMBERLAIN MCCOLLEY'S	BURIAL ASSISTANCE	\$2,150.00
EN-TECH LLC	FUMIGATION	\$125.00
EXECUTIVE MGMT FINANCE	BIT NETWORK FEES	\$57.25
FALL RIVER HEALTH SERVICE	INMATE MEDICAL	\$390.64
FALL RIVER COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATION	\$1,986.32
GALLS	SUPPLY	\$1,020.81
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$6,866.60
GOLDEN WEST	INTERNET	\$11,249.78
GOODSHRED	SHREDDING	\$83.25
GRAFIX SHOPPE	REPAIR/MAINTNENACE	\$996.00
HEALTHCARE SERVICES INC	INMATE MEALS	\$14,256.00
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLY	\$100.98
HOT SPRINGS AMBULANCE	INMATE MEDICAL	\$148.06
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS	CITY WATER BILL	\$1,690.74
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS	1ST QTR SPRINKLER	\$24.00
HUSTEAD LAW OFFICE, P.C.	CAAF	\$6,313.46
JOHNSON, CAROL	COURT REPORTER	\$52.29
LAMB MOTOR COMPANY	NEW FRSO VEHICLE	\$93,730.00
LOGUE VINCE	REIMBURSEMENT	\$104.20
LYNNS DAKOTAMART	SUPPLY	\$158.46
LYNN'S DAK. MART PHARMACY	INMATE PHARMACY	\$674.48
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE	\$1,189.75
MARCO	COPIER LEASE	\$190.14
MARTY'S TIRE & AUTO BODY	REPAIR/SERVICE	\$3,429.00
MASSA DENTAL OFFICES PC	INMATE MEDICAL	\$676.00
MASTEL, BRUCE	DATABASE SETUP & MONTHLY	\$35.00
MEADE COUNTY AUDITOR	INMATE HOUSING	\$2,945.00
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIP LEASE	\$330.00
MONUMENT HEALTH	INMATE MEDICAL	\$1,609.79
MOSER, ROBIN	REIMBURSEMENT	\$51.00
NELSONS OIL & GAS INC.	UTILITIES	\$1,334.22
NEVVISION SECURITY LLC	SERVICES	\$89.97
O'DAY, VALARIE	COURT REPORTER	\$147.00
OLSON'S PEST TECHNICIANS	ANNUAL TERMITE INSPECT	\$350.00
ONSITE FIRST AID, LLC	FIRST AID	\$199.90
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	INMATE HOUSING PENNINGTON	\$525.00
PENNINGTON COUNTY JAIL	TRANSPORT	\$469.80
HI-D-WAY OIL & GAS	UTILITY/PROPANE	\$13,320.01
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$152.52

RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES	INMATE MEDICAL	\$33.21
RAPID CITY EMERG SERVICES	INMATE MEDICAL	\$172.23
RAPID CITY FIRE DEPT	HAZMAT	\$1,532.44
RUSSELL, LANCE	REIMBURSEMENT	\$67.00
SDACC	2025 SPRING WORKSHOP	\$250.00
SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	BLOOD DRAW ANALYSIS	\$1,050.00
SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	BLOOD ANALYSIS	\$880.00
SD DEPT OF REVENUE	AUTO/MI STATE REMITTANCE	\$60.00
SERVALL	RUGS AND MATS SERVICE	\$458.58
SKINNER, MATTHEW L. PC	CAAF	\$4,414.95
SOUTHERN HILLS LAW PLLC	CAAF	\$11,522.88
STEINMETZ, NINA	REIMBURSEMENT	\$43.12
STEVENS AUTOMOTIVE	SERVICE	\$324.33
STEVENS, MIKAYLA	BLOOD DRAW	\$300.00
STURDEVANT'S AUTO VALUE	PARTS/MAINTENANCE	\$74.80
TWO LANE TACTICS LLC	TRAINING/FRSO	\$149.99
WEICHMANN, CYNTHIA	COURT REPORTER	\$128.80
WESTERN SD JUV SERV CTR	JUVENILE SERVICES	\$8,680.00
WHITE, KAREN	LOST CHECK REIMBURSE	\$17.50
OSMOTHERLY, SANDRA	LOST CHECK REIMBURSE	\$11.78
FEES, IRMA	BLOOD DRAW	\$375.00
FEES, IRMA	BLOOD DRAW	\$75.00
MILES, SASHA	BLOOD DRAW	\$75.00
FUGIER, SHAWN	WEED & PEST REIMBURSE	\$134.25
JUROR	JURY FEE	\$51.34
JUROR	JURY FEE	\$51.34
JUROR	JURY FEE	\$55.36
JUROR	JURY FEE	\$52.68
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JUROR	JURY FEE	\$51.34
JUROR	JURY FEE	\$54.02
	TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	\$222,660.38
COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND		
A & B WELDING SUPPLY CO.	SUPPLY	\$202.54
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLY	\$297.07
BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC	UTILITY	\$173.68
BOMGAARS	SUPPLY	\$152.00
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$854.38
CHEYENNE SANITATION	SANITATION COLLECTION	\$79.00
CITY OF EDGEMONT	CITY OF EDGEMONT WATER	\$102.40
CITY OF EDGEMONT	UTILITY/WATER HAULING	\$56.00
DENNY MENHOLT	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$337.40
FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	PARTS	\$1,020.38
FORWARD DISTRIBUTING	PARTS	\$88.20

FR WATER USERS DISTRICT	UTILITY/WATER	\$68.40
GODFREY BRAKE SERVICE	PARTS	\$2,113.67
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$8.50
GREAT WESTERN TIRE	PARTS	\$275.00
GRIMM'S PUMP SERVICE INC	PARTS	\$1,811.66
SIMON MATERIALS	GRAVEL	\$74,176.01
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLY	\$92.97
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS	CITY WATER BILL	\$49.08
IKON FINANCIAL SERVICES	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$1,114.04
INDEPENDENT TRUCK REPAIR	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$1,114.04
INTERSTATE BATTERY	SUPPLY	\$772.80
MARCH, TONY	REIMBURSEMENT	\$114.46
MARTY'S TIRE & AUTO BODY	REPAIR/SERVICE	\$3,280.00
MENARDS	SUPPLY	\$47.10
RDO EQUIPMENT CO	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$689.05
SD DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	STATE COST OF RD	\$3,955.40
STURDEVANT'S AUTO VALUE	PARTS	\$131.32
WALK-N-ROLL	PARTS	\$235.81
WEST RIVER TRAILER SALES	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$143.00
	TOTAL FOR COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$93,555.36
911 SURCHARGE REIMBURSEMENT FUND		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLY	\$21.96
CENTURY BUSINESS LEASING	COPIER LEASE & USAGE	\$54.49
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$17.00
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$628.46
	TOTAL FOR 911 SURCHARGE REIMBURSEMENT FUND	\$721.91
EMERGENCY MGT FUND		
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	IT SUPPORT/CONTRACT	\$17.00
HOT SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLY	\$3.23
MARCO	COPIER LEASE	\$95.06
SPEARFISH ELECTRIC	EQUIPMENT/REPAIR	\$5,703.38
	TOTAL FOR EMERGENCY MGT FUND	\$5,818.67
24/7 SOBRIETY FUND		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLY	\$18.64
SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	24/7 LABS	\$200.00
	TOTAL FOR 24/7 SOBRIETY FUND	\$218.64
M & P RELIEF FUND		
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	SCANNING EQUIP LEASE	\$75.00
TRIMIN SYSTEM, INC.	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	\$5,467.00
	TOTAL FOR M & P RELIEF FUND	\$5,542.00
COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND		

MUTH ELECTRIC	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$25,307.82
NELSONS OIL & GAS INC.	UTILITIES	\$5,610.00
RAPID FIRE PROTECTION INC	REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$765.31
	TOTAL FOR COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND	\$31,683.13
	TOTAL FOR BILLS PD BETWEEN 03/06 & 03/20/2025	\$360,200.09

Break was taken at 9:54 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:02 a.m.

Public comments were heard from Jason Hanson, Brosz Engineering. He is recommending go with Bituminous Paving, Inc as they were the lowest bid for the Asphalt Surface Treatment (chip sealing).

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Allen to accept the low bid from Bituminous Paving, Inc of \$263,633.80 contingent upon Tony March, Highway Superintendent's approval.

Public comment continued with Joe Falkenburg, Commissioner. He wanted to let the Board know that, if the location of the proposed Jail/Justice Center does not work out across the street from the Courthouse, Steve Simunek has approximately 3 acres of property for sale by the Forest Service building on the Hwy 18 bypass. He is asking for \$225,000.00. Les Cope, Commissioner, wanted to point out that the Wyoming legislators have shown their opposition to EID tags and requested that the Board draft a letter to the South Dakota legislators asking them to do the same. He wants to add this agenda item to the next meeting's agenda. Susan Henderson, County resident, spoke regarding her opposition to building a new Jail/Justice Center. Lyle Norton, Sheriff, responded to some of the items that Henderson spoke about. Jeanine Lecy, County resident, inquired about the cost of running payroll, and contractor costs.

Lily Heidebrink, Director of Equalization, met with the Board.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve travel for Heidebrink, Jennifer Bengs, Assessor in Training and Heather Shaffer, Certified Assessor, to attend the SDAAO Conference in Mitchell, June 10-13, 2025 to include registration fee, lodging and per diem.

Motion made by Wahlert, seconded by Allen, to approve travel for Heidebrink, Bengs and Shaffer, to attend the Vanguard User Group Meeting in Oacoma, August 18-20, 2025 to include registration fee, lodging and per diem.

Motion made by Russell, seconded by Wahlert, to approve travel for Bengs to attend the Basics School in Pierre, September 28-October 3, 2025, to include registration fee, lodging and per diem.

Heidebrink updated the Board regarding the number of appeals for the April 17, 2025 meeting. There are 10 and are mostly regarding bare land. She would like to see 15 minutes per appeal for scheduling.

Chairman Falkenburg declared the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

/s/ Joe Falkenburg
Joe Falkenburg, Chairman
Board of Fall River County Commissioners

ATTEST:
/s/ Sue Ganje, Auditor
Sue Ganje, Auditor

Fall River County